8. The practice of appointing coache: and supervisors in physical Edu cation in schools of Delhi Adminis tration may not be feasible ii Kendriya Vidyalayas in view ol the scattered distributidn oi Vidyalayas.

9. In view of lingual and cultural significance of Sanskrit it is re commended that this may be of fered as an elective subject at -t-2 stage.

10. It is recommended that a cadre of senior Liberarians may be created in the scale of PGT in KV_S with enrolment of more than 2000 and also at KVs where there are Resource Centres.

11. If any Yog_a Teachers acquires Graduate/Post Graduate degree with a teaching degree he may apply for open selection f°r the post of TGTs /PGTs in the subject concerned.

12. It is recommended that a period of 3 years may be held adequate' to review the position on implementation of these proposals/ recommendations.

Permission to Nehru Homoeopathic College Degree Holders to take All India Services Examinatron!

1440. SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR RAHMAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that degrees issued by the Nehru Homoeopathy College being run by the Delhi Administration is not considered for taking All India Services Examinations;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take in this regard and by when the degree sudents of the said Col-lge, shall be permitted to appear in the *All* India Services Examinations?

"*THE PRIME MINISIER (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) to (c) The degree of Bachelor of Homoeopatic Medicine and Surgery (BHMS) awarded to the students of Nerhu Homoeopathy College, Delhi, by the Board of Homoeopathic system of Medicine, Delhi, is recognised by the Union Public Service Commission a_s equivalent to B. H. M. S. degree awarded by an Indian University. Hence students of this college holding I the degree of BHMS are eligible to appear at the Civil Services Examination.

Reduction of Forest Cover

1441. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH; Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether forest cover has been diminishing over the years as revealed by the Remote Sensing Laboratory data; and

(b) if so, whether Government had failed to bring out thi_s data in time for taking corrective action?

THE MINISIER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI MANE KA GANDHI): (a) According to the study conducted by Forest Survey of India with the help oj satellite imagery the forest cover in the coun try was 64. 20 million hectares during the period 1981-83. It was reduced to 64. 01 million hectares during the pe riod 1985-87. Thus there has been a reduction of 0. 19 million hectares of forest cover in the country between the assessments made in 1981-83 and 1985-87.

(b) This data has been furnished in the State of Forest Report 1989 published by Forest Survey of India, Dehradun.

The trend of continuing deforestation had attracted Government's attention nnd as a corrective measure the Government has set up the Na-